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In the Final Office Action mailed May 19, 2003, claims 1-24 and 29-42, as well as claim 47, were pending. The Examiner rejected claims 1-3, 6, 7, 11, 14, 15, 18-24, 35-38 and 40-42. The Examiner allowed claims 8, 9, 33, 34 and 39. Moreover, the Examiner indicated that claims 4, 5, 10, 12, 13, 16, 17, and 29-32 to be allowable if rewritten as an independent claim incorporating the limitations of the basic claim. The Examiner did not examine claim 47. Applicant has amended its claims and now believes all of its pending claims, claims 1-3, 5-15, 17-21, 29-34, 39, and 47 to be allowable.

In a telephone conference on July 16, 2003, the Examiner indicated claim 47 to be rejectable for the same reason for the rejection of claim 22 and discussed language that might distinguish these claims over *Jung, et al.* Applicant believes this claim to be allowable over the cited reference because it now incorporates the limitation "wherein one cam having a cam profile that varies in only one plane to effect the changing of the latch mechanism." This limitation is not set forth in *Jung, et al.*, which shows a cam profile that varies in three dimensions. *Jung, et al.*, in fact, teaches that "...control cams 13, 14, 15, 16 and drive cam 23 also present here, are arranged in different axial planes of control disk 12 and interact with components located in control segment 17 at different planes in the dynamic actuation linkage 7." [*Jung, et al.* (column 6, ll 23-27)]. This teaching contrasts with the feature of the present invention, which allows changing of the latch with a cam profile that varies in only one plane. Accordingly, this claim is in condition for allowance.

In addition, the Examiner indicated claim 4 to be allowable if rewritten to incorporate the features of the base claim, here claim 1. Applicant has accordingly

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amended claim 1 to adopt the limitations of claim 4. Accordingly, claim 1 and its dependents, claims 2, 3, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 18, 19, 20, 21, 30, 31, and 32 are in condition for allowance.

The Examiner further indicated claim 5 to be allowable if rewritten to incorporate the limitations of the base claim, here, claim 1. Applicant has done so by amending claim 5. Therefore, claim 5 is in condition for allowance.

The Examiner further objected to claim 16 but indicated this claim to be allowable if rewritten to incorporate the limitations of the base claim, claim 15. Applicant has incorporated the limitations of claim 16 into its amendment of claim 15. Accordingly, claim 15 and its dependent, claim 17, are in condition for allowance.

The Examiner indicated claim 29 to be allowable if rewritten to incorporate the limitations of its base claim. Claim 29 is in independent format. In the telephone conference of July 16, 2003, the Examiner indicated claim 29 to be allowable in its current form.

Claims 4, 16, 22-28, 35-38 and 40-46 are cancelled. Accordingly, all remaining claims, claims 1-3, 5-15, 17-21, 29-34, 39 and 47, stand in condition for allowance.

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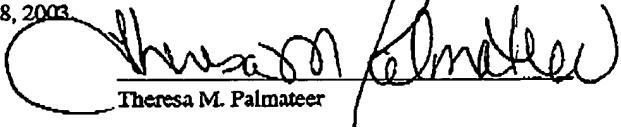
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